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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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## REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

First Name	ed Inventor	Sekine, et al.		
Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STORING AND MANAGING DATA				
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

February 13, 2001

Date

Signature

Edward A. Becker

Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

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